COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COST RECOVERY) ADMI MECHANISM FOR LONG-TERM LOCAL) CAS NUMBER PORTABILITY)

) ADMINISTRATIVE) CASE NO. 374

ORDER

Long-term local number portability ("LNP") is to be implemented in the Cincinnati Metropolitan Statistical Area ("MSA") by May 15, 1998 and in the Louisville MSA by September 1998. The Federal Communications Commission's ("FCC") order on LNP which will address cost recovery issues will likely require state commissions to play a significant role in developing cost recovery mechanisms. To assist the Commission in formulating a cost recovery plan, each incumbent local exchange carrier ("ILEC") and each affected competitive local exchange carrier ("CLEC") in the Louisville MSA, as well as GTE South Incorporated ("GTE") and Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company ("CBT"), should submit to the Commission estimates of its costs to implement LNP as well as specific proposals for recovering the implementation costs. Other ILECs and CLECs in Kentucky are invited to provide estimated costs and proposals. ILECs and CLECs may also address any of the issues discussed in the FCC's Notice of Proposed Rate Making, CC Docket No. 95-116¹ ("FCC's NOPR") and its subsequent order.

FCC 96-286, (CC Docket No. 95-116) Telephone Number Portability, First Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, (July 2, 1996).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Within 60 days of the date of this Order, BellSouth, ALLTEL, GTE and CBT shall submit to the Commission estimates of their respective costs to implement LNP and their respective proposed cost recovery plans.

2. Within 60 days of the date of this Order, each CLEC which provides service or anticipates providing service in the Louisville MSA and which will be required to upgrade switches to implement LNP shall file an estimate of its costs and its proposed cost recovery plan.

3. The LNP costs shall be disaggregated in accordance with the cost categories shown on the FCC's NOPR at paragraphs 212-229.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 27th day of April, 1998.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Vice Chairman

Commissioner

ATTEST:

Executive Director